Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Previously Presented) A surface inspection system for work boards passing through a plurality of manufacturing processes being transferred by a transferring roller, comprising:
- a detecting means for detecting entry and exit of each work board into and out of each manufacturing process;
- a time-measuring means for measuring times when the entry and exit of each work board are detected by said detecting means;
- a determining means for determining whether each work board exits out of each manufacturing process at a scheduled exit time calculated based on the entry time measured by said time-measuring means;
- a line <u>sensors</u> sensor for one dimensionally imaging an elongated work board <u>having</u> exited out of each <u>manufacturing process</u> in lines perpendicular to the moving direction of the work board, <u>each line sensor</u> comprising two types of image data sampling means, one for an odd-number sampling line and the other for an even-number sampling line;
- a velocity-measuring means for measuring in real time the rotational velocity of the a transferring roller for transferring the work board on each data sampling position of the line sensor;
- a sampling control means for controlling <u>timing of</u> the image data sampling of said line sensor in the direction of board movement and on the basis of the moving velocity of the work board measured by said velocity-measuring means;
- an image-composing memory for forming a two-dimensional image of the work board by sequentially combining odd line data and even-line data from the line sensor;
- a detecting means for detecting entry and exit of the work board into and out of each manufacturing process;
- a time measuring apparatus for measuring times when the entry and exit of the work board are detected by said detecting means; and



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a controlling means to correct the image data based on degree of slant of the work board;

an identifying means for identifying the work board <u>and the image data thereof</u> based on a process number representing each manufacturing process, and on times of entry and exit of the work board into and out of the process measured by said time-measuring means; <u>and</u>

a transmitting means for assigning each work board its own transmission channel for sequentially transmitting images of the board on each manufacturing process, assembling said image data into a transmission packet and transmitting said transmission packet.

Claim 2 (Canceled)

Claim 3 (Canceled)

Claim 4 (Canceled)

Claims 5-10 (Canceled)

11. (Currently Amended) A surface inspection system as in claim—3 1, wherein slant correction is accomplished by an affine transformation based on the angle of slant as determined by the following equation:

$$\theta = \cos -1 (A_0/A')$$

wherein θ equals the angle of slant, A_0 equals the width of the work board and A' equals the number of pixels.

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